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C O N F I D E N T I A L PORT LOUIS 0764

SECVISIT: UNGA

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR UNGA MP

SUBJECT: GOM ATTENDANCE TO 29TH UNGA

REF: STATE 170108

1. TEN DAYS AGO PRIME MINISTER RAMGOOLAM TOLD ME HE DID NOT PLAN ATTEND UNGA THIS YEAR BUT WOULD LATER CHOOSE A SENIOR MINISTER TO HEAD GOM DELEGATION.

2. TODAY RAMGOOLAM TOLD ME THAT WHEN HE HEARD PRESIDENT FORD WOULD SPEAK AT GA SEPT. 18 HE (RAMGOOLAM) CONSIDERED HASTENING TO NEW YORK BECAUSE HE WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE MEET PRESIDENT. HOWEVER, IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR RAMGOOLAM TO DO SO AND HE HAS NOW DECIDED SEND SIR ABDUL RAZAK MOHAMED, MINISTER OF HOUSING, LANDS, AND TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING, WHO WILL ARRIVE NEW YORK SEPTEMBER 16, AS HEAD GOM DELEGATION. (OTHER MEMBERS GOM DELEGATION WILL PRESUMABLY BE DECIDED TOMORROW. )

3. MOHAMMED IS THIRD RANKING CABINET MEMBER, UNDISPUTED LEADER OF MUSLIM COMMUNITY HERE AND ONE OF PRIME MINISTER'S STRONGEST  
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SUPPORTERS AND CLOSEST CONFIDANTS.

4. ALTHOUGH RAMGOOLAM DID NOT SPECIFICALLY ASK THAT MOHAMMED BE GIVEN APPOINTMENT TO SEE SECRETARY IN NEW YORK, I BELIEVE SUCH MEETING WOULD BE HIGHLY DESIRABLE AND HELPFUL TO OUR RELATIONS AND STRATEGIC INTERESTS HERE. I STRONGLY RECOMMEND SECRETARY DEVOTE FEW MINUTES TO TELL MOHAMMED FORTHRIGHTLY JUST WHERE WE STAND ON DIEGO AND IOPZ, WITH THESE CONSIDERATIONS IN MIND: RAMGOOLAM, THOUGH RELATIVELY PRAGMATIC NEUTRALIST, IS NOW WAVERING ON DIEGO UNDOUBTEDLY UNDER PRESSURE FROM SOVIETS, INDIA AND OTHER NON-ALIGNED AND FEELS CERTAIN RESPONSIBILITY SINCE MAURITIUS RETAINS SOVEREIGNTY OVER DIEGO. MOHAMMED IS SOPHISTICATED, CYNICAL, ANTI-COMMUNIST WHO HAS STRONG REASONS TO STICK CLOSE TO RAMGOOLAM.

5. APPRECIATE ADVICE BY SEPTEMBER 14 WHETHER APPOINTMENT FOR MOHAMED WITH SECRETARY IS FEASIBLE.  
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